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Biographical Sketches

of NATIONAL COUNCIL STAFF MEMBERS
WHO HAVE RETIRED BETWEEN
JANUARY 1, 1951 AND DECEMBER 31, 1954

General Assembly

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Boston, November 29, 1954



Rev. Jesse Moren Bader

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, JOINT DEPARTMENT OF EVANGELISM

RETIRED: MARCH 31, 1954

When Jesse Moren Bader retired this year as the Council's director of Evangelism, he received a great and richly deserved tribute for his long and dedicated work from a wide cross section of church leadership. At a testimonial dinner in New York, churchmen from all over the country gathered to hail him as "preacher, teacher, organizer, pioneer in co-operative evangelism, loyal friend and genial comrade." The occasion marked 22 years of "unique leadership" in evangelistic work of the churches climaxed by his service in the Council.

During 1936-1937 Dr. Bader was director of the National Preaching Mission, held in 41 cities across the country, and in which almost all Protestant denominations participated. Dr. Bader inaugurated, and was national director of, the University Christian Mission which, during 1938-1939, visited 46 college and university campuses. During World War II, he gave much time to the direction of Preaching Missions in army camps and naval bases. He also organized and conducted a series of 28 Chaplains' conference retreats, held one day in each center at which time 50 to 100 chaplains attended each day.

Born in Illinois, Dr. Bader spent his boyhood in Kansas. He attended Kansas University two years and received his theological training at Drake University, graduating in 1911. After a pastorate of seven years in Atchinson, Kansas, and thirteen months of YMCA service overseas in World War I, he held a second pastorate in Kansas City, Missouri. During his twelve years as a pastor, he added a new member to his church daily.

In 1920, Dr. Bader became national secretary of evangelism for the Disciples of Christ. Twelve years later he became executive secretary of the department of evangelism of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, continuing in the same position when, in 1950, the National Council was established.

Dr. Bader organized the World Convention of Churches of Christ (Disciples) in 1930 and became its first president. Following his retirement from the National Council, Dr. Bader became the general secretary of this organization, made up of the Disciples of Christ in 35 countries. Dr. and Mrs. Bader make their home in New York.

Rev. Samuel McCrea Cavert

GENERAL SECRETARY, NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

RETIRED: JANUARY 31, 1954

AT PRESENT: AMERICAN SECRETARY OF THE WORLD COUNCIL
OF CHURCHES

Samuel McCrea Cavert, until January 31, 1954 general secretary of the National Council, has been a foremost leader in interchurch co-operation for 35 years. General secretary of the Federal Council of Churches for 29 years, he

played a most important role in the organization of the National Council in 1950.

Born at Charlton, N.Y. in 1888, Dr. Cavert was graduated summa cum laude both from Union College, Schenectady and from Union Theological Seminary. He received his M.A. degree from Columbia University and, in 1916-17, studied missions in Japan and India on a travelling fellowship. Ordained a Presbyterian minister in 1915, he became in 1917 assistant secretary of the General Wartime Commission of the Churches. A year later he enlisted in the army as a chaplain and served at the Reconstruction Hospital in Denver.

In 1919 Dr. Cavert joined the staff of the Federal Council as secretary of the Committee on the War and the Religious Outlook, which made a series of studies of major religious problems following World War I. He was elected associate secretary of the Council in 1920, one of its two general secretaries in 1921, and in 1930 he became its chief executive officer.

In 1933 and again in 1935 he visited Germany to study the problems facing the churches after the rise of Hitler and ten years later he returned with a delegation sent to restore fellowship between the German churches and those of the Allied countries. In 1946 he went again as temporary Protestant liaison officer between the American military government and the German churches. Four years earlier he had been the first representative of the American churches on a mission to Europe after the U.S. entered World War II, going to help plan for relief under the auspices of the World Council.

Dr. Cavert served ten years on the Provisional Committee of the World Council of Churches, was chairman of the committee on arrangements for the First Assembly in Amsterdam, 1948, and since his retirement from the National Council he has been serving as secretary for the U.S. Conference for the World Council.

A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Dr. Cavert has honorary degrees from Yale and Princeton Universities, from the American University, Washington, D.C., from Ohio Wesleyan, and from the University of Göttingen in Germany. Other institutions which have honored him include Lawrence College, Wisconsin, Park College, Missouri, and his alma mater.

Author of "Securing Christian Leaders for Tomorrow" and "The Adventure of the Church", Dr. Cavert was also co-editor of "The Church through Half a Century", a member of the editorial board of Religion in Life, and chairman of the editorial advisory committee of the Religious Book Club.

Dr. and Mrs. Cavert live in Bronxville, N.Y.

Franklin D. Cogswell

GENERAL DIRECTOR, JOINT COMMISSION ON MISSIONARY EDUCATION
RETIRING: DECEMBER 31, 1954

Rounding out 40 years of devoted service, Franklin D. Cogswell, a Pres-

byterian USA layman, is regarded as a trusted leader in the most important phases of the development of the interdenominational missionary movement. As a religious educator and author of texts for the study of home and foreign missions, Mr. Cogswell has played an important role.

His work with the National Council in its Joint Commission on Missionary Education has included writing, editing and publishing, under the imprint Friendship Press. Friendship Press produces study books, pamphlets, picture maps, song books, plays and other supplementary materials designed to help all age levels become more aware of the missionary obligation of the church.

Prior to his work with the Council, Mr. Cogswell served thirty-three years on the staff of the Missionary Education Movement of the U.S. and Canada as education secretary. In the earlier years church leaders were only beginning to understand Christianity as a religion essentially missionary in character. Mr. Cogswell has played no small part in helping the churches achieve this insight during the last 40 years.

A 1912 graduate of the University of Denver, Phi Beta Kappa, he went to India where he spent three years teaching English at Ewing Christian College, Allahabad. On returning to the United States in 1915 he studied at Teacher's College, Columbia where he received his M.A. degree, and later at Union Theological Seminary. With his wife, he makes his home in Caldwell, New Jersey.

Rev. Charles H. Corbett

ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY, DIVISION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

RETIRED: JUNE, 1951

One of the significant careers in the roster of missionary service was noted at the retirement of Charles H. Corbett, minister, missionary and educator. Born in China, he studied there until he was 16 when he came to the United States and entered Wooster College where he was graduated magna cum laude. His graduate education was at Oberlin Graduate School of Theology, Columbia University and the University of Chicago.

An ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church, he served for a time as editor of the Presbyterian Tribune, and later as minister of education in a local parish. In interdenominational circles he was assistant secretary of the Church Committee for China Relief, and for a time was secretary of the Commission on the Universal Church and the World of Nations. He participated in the Conference on Church, Community and State at Oxford, England in 1937.

Before joining the Foreign Missions Conference staff in 1949 Mr. Corbett worked with the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China and its successor, the United Board for Christian Colleges in China, which is publishing shortly his latest book, "History of Shantung University". Earlier he had taught in North China Union College, in Yenching University and in Peking Union Medical College.

Since his retirement from the Foreign Division staff Mr. Corbett continues his professional interests as Research Associate, United Board for Christian Colleges of China, and as honorary treasurer, North American Section Vellore (India) Christian Medical College Board. Dr. and Mrs. Corbett make their home in New York.

Rev. Rowland M. Cross

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, FAR EASTERN JOINT OFFICE,
DIVISION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
RETIRED: DECEMBER 31, 1953

As executive secretary, Rowland M. Cross was for ten years responsible for the work of the Far Eastern Joint Office. Using his many years of experience, 1917-1944, as a Congregational Missionary in China, he was able to co-ordinate effectively the work of the missionaries and others in China and to relate it to the overall Council program.

The son of a Congregational minister in Minnesota, he went to Honolulu immediately following his graduation from Carlton College. There he taught for two years at Mid-Pacific Institute, a mission school, then was YMCA secretary for two more years.

In 1917 he sailed for China as a missionary, serving for six years in student evangelistic work. Later, he was co-secretary, with a Chinese pastor, of the Congregational program in North China, traveling to mission stations in three provinces.

In the 1930's Dr. Cross was put in charge of rural work in the Peking area, assisting in a training program for farmers in agricultural methods. He returned to the United States in 1940, but was soon called back to China to work with the National Christian Council to help the churches plan their post-war program.

In 1945 he became a secretary of the Foreign Missions Conference and was responsible for planning post-war work in Japan and Okinawa, the Philippines and all of South East Asia. These areas remained his province, when the Conference became a part of the Council as the Division of Foreign Missions. Dr. Cross is active in work with Chinese students in New York City. With his wife, he lives in New York. His only son serves with the U.S. Information Service in Hong-Kong.

Rev. Deane Edwards

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF WORSHIP AND THE FINE ARTS
DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN LIFE AND WORK
RETIRED: FEBRUARY 1, 1952

Deane Edwards, who retired in 1952 as executive secretary, Department of Worship and the Arts, Division of Christian Life and Work, served both the Federal and National Councils with exceptional ability in this capacity for sev-

eral years. Earlier he was with the Federal Council as associate director of the National Preaching Mission.

A minister of the Reformed Church in America, Mr. Edwards was pastor of The Church in Radburn, New Jersey which he organized as an interdenominational project in 1929. Prior to this, he was for ten years the pastor of The Reformed Church in Bronxville, New York. Mr. Edwards' first pastorate was in the First Presbyterian Church of Seneca Falls, New York, which he served from 1913-1918.

Always active in interdenominational organizations he helped to organize and develop the Westchester County, New York, and the Bergen County, New Jersey Councils of Churches, both of which he served as president.

For many years, Mr. Edwards was associate secretary of the Universal Christian Council for Life and Work. He attended the world conferences at Oxford and Edinburgh in 1937, and the Constituting Assembly of the World Council of Churches, at Amsterdam in 1948.

A native son of St. Paul, Minnesota, Mr. Edwards was graduated from Princeton University and Auburn Theological Seminary and studied in British Universities, as the first Alumni Fellow of Auburn Theological Seminary. At the present time, Mr. Edwards is president of the Hymn Society of America. He and Mrs. Edwards reside in Rye, New York.

Rev. Wynn C. Fairfield

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

RETIRING: DECEMBER 31, 1954

Wynn C. Fairfield who will retire as executive director of the Council's Department of Church World Service at the end of the year is a former missionary who once planned to be a lawyer, but spent a major part of his career as an evangelistic missionary and educator.

Born in Tabor, Iowa, Dr. Fairfield grew up in Washington, D.C. where his father taught at Howard University. He himself graduated from the Preparatory Department of Howard University then went to Oberlin College, intending to study law. During his freshman year, however, he decided to go into the ministry so he continued after college in the Oberlin Graduate School of Theology.

In 1910 he was appointed by the American Board to the Shansi Mission in China and during his 19 years in that country he served as evangelistic missionary, as station treasurer at Shansi and later as dean and vice president of the Oberlin-Shansi Memorial Academy and its Junior Colleges.

Returning to the United States in 1929 he became secretary for East Asia for the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. In 1945 Dr. Fairfield became secretary for general administration of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, a post he held until 1950 when the Conference

merged with 11 other agencies to form the national Council.

Now rounding out four years with the Department of Church World Service, carrying responsibility for relief and reconstruction in many parts of the world, Dr. Fairfield has the satisfaction of knowing that he has done with distinction one of the most complex jobs the churches can offer. Dr. and Mrs. Fairfield live in New York.

E. Urner Goodman

GENERAL DIRECTOR, GENERAL DEPARTMENT,
UNITED CHURCH MEN

RETIRED: SEPTEMBER 1, 1954

E. Urner Goodman, former General Director, General Department of United Church Men, who retired on September 1, 1954 was a pioneer in the establishment of the National Council of Presbyterian Men. At the time of his election to the staff of the National Council in September, 1951, was chairman of the National Committee on Program and Action of Presbyterian Men. Dr. Goodman worked to make the General Department of United Church Men an active force in strengthening laymen's work in the Church through revitalizing the program of men's work in the local church. His whole life has been devoted to preparing boys and men to take active leadership within their churches and communities.

Dr. Goodman's earlier professional career consisted largely in the executive leadership in the Boy Scouts of America. In 1931, he became the first national program director, and served in this capacity until he joined the staff of the Council. Earlier, he was a Scout Master, an executive in the Philadelphia Scout Council, from 1915-1927 and a Scout executive in Chicago from 1927-1931.

A native of Philadelphia, Dr. Goodman was graduated from the Philadelphia School of Pedagogy, and attended Temple University and the University of Pennsylvania. He was awarded a Doctorate in the Humanities at Missouri Valley College. Although a layman, he has spoken in the pulpits of nearly all the member communions of the Council. Since his retirement, Dr. Goodman continues to serve the Scout Movement, as a National Field Scout Commissioner and member of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America. With Mrs. Goodman he now makes his home in Bondville, Vermont.

Rev. Frederick Field Goodsell

CO-EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, DIVISION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

RETIRED: DECEMBER 31, 1952

Frederick Field Goodsell, always keenly interested in interdenominational co-operation, is an authority on the work of foreign missions. This authority comes from personal experience based upon 23 years as an educational and administrative missionary in the Near East.

Early in his career as an ordained Congregational minister, he became director of Central Turkey College at Aintab, Turkey. Next assigned to the city of Marash, an ancient Hittite outpost, he served as principal of the Mission Theological Seminary. During World War I, Dr. Goodsell returned to the United States where he conducted missionary education activities for two years. He established the first missionary education conference on the Pacific Coast, at Seabeck, Washington. During this period he was also engaged in field work with the Layman's Missionary Movement.

In 1916, he worked with the War Prisoners Service, sponsored by the YMCA, and for two years was assigned to work in prison camps in Russia, Romania and Siberia. After World War I, he returned to the Near East, and from 1919 to 1930 was at Istanbul where he was successively secretary of the Istanbul branch of the YMCA; principal of the reorganized Mission School of Religion; Field Secretary of the Near East Mission; and chairman of the Board of Directors of the YMCA.

From 1930-1949, Dr. Goodsell was Executive Vice President of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, in which capacity he shared in its pioneer missionary endeavors in Africa, Bulgaria, Turkey, Greece, Syria, India, China, Japan, the Philippines, Micronesia, Mexico and Spain. He was named to the staff of the Council at the time of its formation, in 1950.

Dr. Goodsell is a graduate of the University of California and the Hartford Theological Seminary. With his wife, who has shared his life as a missionary, Dr. Goodsell now makes his home in Boston, Massachusetts.

Ernest O. Jacob

ASSOCIATE SECRETARY FOR BUSINESS AND FINANCE,
DIVISION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
RETIRED: AUGUST 31, 1952

As an Associate Secretary, Ernest O. Jacob served the Division of Foreign Missions in a temporary capacity for the better part of two years. He came to the Division from the Student Volunteer Movement where for three years he was administrative secretary and treasurer.

By far the major portion of Mr. Jacob's career was devoted to the Y.M.C.A., which he served for forty years. Twenty of those forty years he spent abroad in the Y.M.C.A.'s missionary service, residing in Turkey, Greece and Poland. When he returned to the United States, he began a twenty-year period of Y.M.C.A. service as a general secretary in the Providence, R. I. branch, and on the New York City staff.

Born in Dresden, Germany in 1886, Mr. Jacob came to this country as a boy of five. He studied to become a mechanical engineer at the University of Illinois, later attending Columbia Teacher's College, where he earned a Masters Degree in education.

Upon retiring from the Council, Mr. Jacob served for one year as consult-

ant in fund-raising for the USO and Heart Fund campaigns. Together with his wife -- the Jacobs have been married for 46 years -- he went into retirement at Woodbury, Conn. where he looks after 35 acres of woodland and garden land. He is very active in his local church, the First Congregational of Woodbury.

Rev. F. Ernest Johnson

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF RESEARCH
AND SURVEY

RETIRED: DECEMBER 31, 1952

F. Ernest Johnson, who until December 1952 headed the Department of Research and Survey for the Council and was also professor of education, 1931-1950, now emeritus, at Teacher's College, Columbia University, has devoted his entire life to the field of Christian education. Dr. Johnson directed Council projects from 1950 until his retirement with high distinction, and earlier, while with the Federal Council of Churches in this same capacity, was looked upon as a pioneer-leader in the field of Research. His research included problems of labor and industry, prohibition, and a host of other socio-economic issues which he set forth in INFORMATION SERVICE, the department's influential weekly information bulletin.

A graduate of Albion, Michigan, College, and Union Theological Seminary, Dr. Johnson spent seven years in the Methodist ministry before he joined the staff of the Federal Council in 1918. He is a member of the New York East Conference, of the Methodist Church. During the years between 1929 and 1931, he organized and directed the International Survey of the YMCA's and YWCA's and in this connection traveled extensively in Europe and Asia. He was a member of the Oxford Conference on Church, Community and State in 1937, and Rauschenbusch lecturer, Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, 1939.

A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Dr. Johnson has served as chairman, committee on religion and education, American Council on Education, and has been active in the National Education Association, Religious Education Association (president 1944-46), National Commission on UNESCO. He is also chairman of the National Child Labor Committee.

Dr. Johnson has contributed to numerous religious, educational and social journals. His books include: ECONOMICS AND THE GOOD LIFE, THE CHURCH AND SOCIETY, THE SOCIAL GOSPEL RE-EXAMINED, FOUNDATIONS OF DEMOCRACY, WELLSPRINGS OF THE AMERICAN SPIRIT. Since his retirement he has become Chief Study Consultant, The Department of the Church and Economic Life, in charge of the Council's current study of "The Ethics and Economics of Society", and editor of SOCIAL ACTION, journal of the Council for Social Action of the Congregational Christian Churches and of the Commission on Christian Social Relations of the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

He and Mrs. Johnson live in New York City.

Josephine C. Lawney, M.D.

STAFF PHYSICIAN, ASSOCIATED MISSIONS MEDICAL OFFICE,
DIVISION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
RETIRED: SEPTEMBER 30, 1952.

When Josephine C. Lawney joined the Associated Missions Medical Office in April 1948, she had already behind her a distinguished career as a medical missionary for thirty years (1919-1948) in China. There, as a missionary under the American Baptist Missionary Society, she practiced medicine in hospitals and clinics, taught medicine to Chinese youth, and even found time to conduct research in anemias and beriberi. In recognition of her unusual abilities, Dr. Lawney was, in 1924, appointed dean and professor of medicine at the Margaret Williamson (teaching) Hospital of the Women's Christian Medical College, Shanghai, where she served until 1941.

Prior to her service in China, Dr. Lawney was, during most of World War I, resident physician in Pittsburgh's Hospital of the Tuberculosis League, a teaching unit of the University of Pittsburgh's Medical School. She later did graduate work in medicine at Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York, and at Harvard University.

A Vermonter by birth, Dr. Lawney attended Northfield School for Girls in Massachusetts, Denver University and Women's Medical College of Pennsylvania, where she received her doctorate. She interned in Woman's Hospital, Philadelphia.

Before she decided to enter the missionary field as a physician, Dr. Lawney spent one year in social settlement work in Wilmington, and served for three years on the administrative and teaching staff of Atlanta University. She now lives in retirement at Roslyn, L.I., New York.

Rev. Gilbert Q. LeSourd

ASSOCIATE GENERAL DIRECTOR, JOINT COMMISSION
ON MISSIONARY EDUCATION
RETIRED: DECEMBER 31, 1952

Although Gilbert Q. LeSourd has served the National Council in a number of capacities, he was at the time of his retirement, associate general director of the Council's Joint Department on Missionary Education. A versatile man, he was responsible for audio-visual materials, missionary summer conferences and financial matters. He was with the Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada from 1931 until 1950, when this agency became a part of the Council.

From 1917 until 1921, Dr. LeSourd was on the staff of the Inter-Church World Movement. Ordained to the Ministry in the Methodist Church, Dr. LeSourd spent his earlier years as the pastor of the Park Ridge, New Jersey, Methodist Church. Prior to this, he was for a number of years, assistant secretary of the YMCA in Tacoma, Washington.

A native of Seattle, Washington, Dr. LeSourd is a graduate of the College

of Puget Sound and Drew Theological Seminary. He also was awarded the Ph.D degree by New York University.

From 1940 to 1950, Dr. LeSourd represented the Missionary Education Movement on the staff of the Inter-Council Field Department. Since his retirement he has been serving as supply pastor of the Saddler River, New Jersey, Methodist Church. He and his wife make their home in Leonia, New Jersey.

Rev. Alfred Douglass Moore

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, COMMITTEE ON WORLD LITERACY
AND CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

DIVISION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

RETIRING: DECEMBER 31, 1954

At the end of this year, Dr. Alfred Douglass Moore will round out some nine years of responsibility for carrying on executive supervision of the literacy program of the churches in co-operation. In 1945, when he became the first full-time executive of the Committee on Literacy, it was evident that the Each One Teach One system, originated by Dr. Frank C. Laubach, would serve virtually millions of the earth's underprivileged as a means to know and understand the written word, including the Scriptures. Dr. Moore, with an unusual combination of efficiency, initiative, and spiritual energy, has proven himself the exact man for the challenge and the job.

Before he came to the Committee, Dr. Moore had devoted many years to church-related youth work. While still a student at Union Theological Seminary, he chose as his field assignment to work with boys at the Presbyterian Church of the Sea and Land in New York City's Lower East Side. After graduation he continued at the church as assistant pastor, and later pastor for three years. In 1921 Dr. Moore joined the staff of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Nashville, as editor of youth publications. The next year he was editor of TARGET, a boys' magazine with the largest church school circulation (3,500,000) in the nation, retaining this post until 1945. During these years he also took on the editorship of CLASSMATE, a magazine for young people. For his work in Christian youth journalism, he was awarded an honorary M.A. from his alma mater, Wesleyan University, Connecticut. Dr. and Mrs. Moore live in Chappaqua, N. Y., where he finds time for his favorite hobbies, gardening and home carpentry.

Rev. Emory Ross

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, AFRICA COMMITTEE

DIVISION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

RETIRED: MARCH 31, 1954

The Rev. Emory Ross, a missionary in Central and West Africa from 1912 to 1933, was for 17 years executive secretary of the Africa Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference. During that period he served for 5 years as general secretary of the Foreign Missions Conference, now the Division of Foreign Missions of the National Council of Churches. Dr. Ross retired from this post in 1953 and now is president of the Phelps-Stokes Fund in New York City. He also is director of the Association for World Travel Exchange, Inc., New York.

Following two decades of work as a Disciples of Christ missionary in Liberia and the Belgian Congo, Dr. Ross returned to this country, and in 1936 became executive secretary of the newly-created Africa Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference, with headquarters in New York. During the period 1940-45 Dr. Ross served as general secretary of the Foreign Missions Conference.

His two books, *OUT OF AFRICA* and *AFRICAN HERITAGE*, have helped immensely to interpret the Africa scene to Americans, particularly American Protestants.

Dr. Ross served as chairman of Section X of the Advancement of Dependent Peoples at the third national conference of the U. S. National Commission for UNESCO. Other posts he has held include: member of the Executive Council of the International African Institute, London; member of the International Institute of Political and Social Science (now International Institute of Differing Civilization), Brussels; Life Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society; president of the American Mission to Lepers, Inc. (now American Leprosy Missions, Inc.); director of the Liberia Company, New York.

Born in Kendallville, Ind., in 1887, Dr. Ross holds degrees from Eureka College, Eureka, Ill., College of Missions, Indianapolis, Ind., and the Universities of Chicago and Wisconsin.

During the past summer he and Mrs. Ross, who is director of public relations, General Department of United Church Women, NCC, conducted an African Study Group under the Association for World Exchange. Dr. Ross delivered the 1954 Hoernle Memorial Lecture on "Color and Christian Community" for the South Africa Institute of Race Relations. Dr. and Mrs. Ross reside in New York.

Sue Weddell

ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, JOINT OFFICE FOR SOUTHERN
ASIA AND THE NEAR EAST

RETIRED: SEPTEMBER 1, 1954

For more than two years after the National Council came into being, Sue Weddell held top administrative responsibility in the Division of Foreign Missions as co-executive secretary. For more than a year of this period, following retirement of her co-executive, Dr. Frederick Field Goodsell, she carried the full responsibility of this executive office. At the time she retired in September 1954, Miss Weddell was acting executive secretary of the Division's Joint Office for Southern Asia and the Near East.

Well known as a leader and lecturer at conferences and institutes, first with the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, and later with the National Council of Churches, she was one of the ten women delegates from North America to the World Conference of the International Missionary Council at Madras, India, in 1938. Following the Madras Conference, Miss Weddell visited mission centers in India, Arabia and Iraq where she observed work sup-

ported by several denominational Boards.

In 1948, Miss Weddell was one of 40 women chosen from around the world who gathered at Baarn, Holland to discuss "The Place of Women in the Church." In the same year, she was an accredited visitor to the Assembly of the World Council of Churches at Amsterdam. Also in 1948 she represented North American and British Mission Boards in a conference in Nagpur, India which led to the establishment of an India-wide Board of Christian Literature. In 1945 she was appointed by the Federal Council of Churches as a consultant to the United States delegation at the United Nations Conference in San Francisco.

From 1940 to 1950 Miss Weddell was a co-operating staff member of the Inter-Council Field Department, representing foreign missions. She edited the PLAN BOOK prepared by the Inter-Council Field Department in 1945 and again in 1947.

A summa cum laude graduate of Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, Miss Weddell has also been the recipient of many honors including that of Phi Beta Kappa. In 1953 she was elected honorary member, Joint Commission on Missionary Education and a life member of its board of managers. She was president of the Missionary Education Movement from 1933 to 1937. She is a former president of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, a member of the executive committee, Committee on World Literacy and Christian Literature, and a member of the North American Administrative Committee of the World Council of Christian Education.

Since her retirement from the Council, Miss Weddell has been appointed secretary-treasurer of the Ludhiana Christian Medical College Committee, Punjab, India. She makes her home in New York.